

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 627

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jeannie Rummage Hastings.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Jeannie Rummage Hastings; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie Rummage Hastings was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Lebanon, Tennessee, on March 30, 1943, Mrs. Hastings was a graduate of Milan High School and was an honors graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, an exceptional businesswoman, Jeannie Hastings co-founded Hastings Architecture Associates, LLC in Nashville with her husband, Jim Hastings; She also served as President of the University of Tennessee National Alumni Association, a member of the Volunteer Council Board of Directors for the American Symphony Orchestra League, and a member of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce Board; and

WHEREAS, an active leader in her community Mrs. Hastings chaired such local organizations as the Nashville Downtown Partnership Board, the Women's Fund of the Community Foundation Advisory Board, the TSU Foundation Board, the Nashville Symphony Association Board, the Nashville Symphony Guild, the Arthritis Foundation Nashville Branch, and the Heart Gala Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, respected for her thoughtful insight and experience, she was a valued member of the Family and Children's Board, the Nashville Sports Council Board, and the University of Tennessee Alumni Board of Governors, as well as the Downtown Exchange Club and Leadership Nashville; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Jeannie Hastings chaired the Heart Gala, the Symphony Ball, the Italian Street Fair, the Ensworth Auction, and the Montgomery Bell Academy Spaghetti Supper; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hastings was a faithful member of Calvary United Methodist Church, which she served as a member of the Foundation Board; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hastings enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Jim Hastings, and she was the proud mother of three devoted sons who, with their spouses, are: Mark and Louise Hastings, Chris and Beth Hastings, and William and Tricia Hastings; she was also the doting grandmother of four treasured grandchildren: James, Mason, Cole, and Max Hastings; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie Hastings is also survived by her mother, Christine Denney; her sisters and brothers-in-law Brenda and Clint Reed and Debbie and Michael Sandwith; her aunts Margaret Ragland and Joyce Beasley; and numerous beloved nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie Hastings leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jeannie Rummage Hastings, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Hastings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.